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AT A JANUARY 27 DINNER HE GAVE IN HONOR OF ILO DIRECTOR  
GENERAL BLANCHARD, EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR EL-SHAFEI WAXED  
WORDY AND WARM DURING AN AFTER DINNER TOAST ON THE "SO-  
CALLED POLITICIZATION OF THE ILO." SINGLING OUT THE BELGIAN  
AND CANADIAN AMBASSADORS AS WELL AS MYSELF, HE ASKED HOW WE  
COULD EXPECT ANYTHING BUT POLITICS WHEN ARAB LANDS WERE BEING  
OCCUPIED, AND HE PROMISED TO USE EVERY AVAILABLE ILO REMEDY  
IN THE FUTURE TO PRESS THE ARAB CASE. I ASKED BLANCHARD  
AFTERWARD HOW HE INTERPRETED THIS RATHER SURPRISING BLAST.  
THE DG REPLIED THAT HE HAD RECENTLY BEEN VISITED BY A GROUP  
OF ARAB AMBASSADORS. WITH EL-SHAFEI AS SPOKESMAN, THEY  
URGED HIM TO PRESS THE 1974 RESOLUTION. HE SAID THAT TO DO  
SO WAS HOPELESS AND THAT THE ARABS SHOULD SEEK RELIEF WITHIN  
THE ILO CONSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK, SUCH AS VIA ARTICLE 26.  
AFTER THIS MEETING, EL-SHAFEI VISITED WHAT BLANCHARD DESCRIBED  
AS ILO'S "TOP LEGAL EXPERT" TO ASK ADVICE ON THE USE  
OF SAID ARTICLE. COMMENT: THE JOY OF THE OCCASION, A  
BON VOYAGE TO BLANCHARD ON HIS IMPENDING TRIP TO  
EGYPT, SAUDI ARABIA AND JORDON, WAS SOMEWHAT DAMPENED  
BY THE FACT THAT THE GOE CANCELLED THE EGYPTIAN LEG  
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OF THE TRIP DUE TO PRESIDENT SADAT'S TOTAL PREOC-  
CUPATION WITH POST-RIOT PROBLEMS. BLANCHARD WILL  
MAKE THE TRIP AT A LATER DATE. CATTO

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